Concentration - Fine Arts

B.A.Ed. in Elementary Education

Description
The B.A.E. with a major in elementary education with a special education endorsement option prepares graduates to be eligible for certification in Mississippi to teach in grades K-6 and provides an endorsement to teach special education (mild/moderate disabilities). Graduates may also teach grades 7-12 with supplemental endorsements in subject areas. (See an advisor for more information.)

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 124

General Education Requirements

Course Requirements
Requirements for the B.A.E. with a major in elementary education include Math 245, 246 (6 hours); Engl 250 (3 hours); Ared 361 (3 hours); Mus 329 OR Edwp 340 (3 hours); Geog 101 (3 hours); Edrd 355 (6 hours); Edsp 308, 327, 407, and 410 (12 hours); professional education common core courses Edci 352 (2 or 3 hours), 353 (3 hours), Edrd 400 (3 hours); professional education elementary education courses Edel 401, 402, 403, 404, Edrd 414, Edle 417, 464, and Edci 419 (30 hours, including 9 hours of Edle 464); elective and/or areas of concentration hours to reach the 124-hours requirement. Elementary education majors should select two areas of concentration among English (18 hours), fine arts (18 hours), modern or ancient languages (18 hours in one language), mathematics (18 hours), science (18 hours), and social studies (18 hours).

Other Academic Requirements

Admission to Phase II: Professional Education Core
Requirements for admission to teacher education are as follows:

1. Completion of core curriculum. Students responsible for submitting grades to the Office of the Dean for courses taken at other institutions. *Music education majors must complete the 45 hours from the liberal arts general education core and Mus 301, 302, 305, and 311.
2. Applicants who apply for admission to Phase II must have a 2.75 grade-point average.
3. Passing scores on Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (CORE)*

*Exemption: Students who provide proof of an ACT score of at least a 21 overall composite are exempt from taking the Praxis CORE. We do not superscore for the ACT and/or SAT. View the SAT Equivalency Scoring sheet for more information.

4. Courses Edci 352, Edsp 308, and Edsp 327 are the only professional education courses that may be taken prior to admission to Phase II. Elementary education majors may also take Edrd 355. A minimum grade of "C" in all professional education courses is required.

Note: A minimum grade of "C" is required in all professional education courses, content courses, and related courses. If this minimum of "C" is not met, the course(s) must be retaken before enrolling in the next level of professional education courses.

Admission to Phase III: Student Teaching
Applications are available through the Student Advising and Field Experience Office and are due the semester prior to student teaching. To be admitted to student teaching, a student must meet the following requirements:

1. Admission to the Teacher Education Program.
2. A minimum grade of "C" in all professional education courses, content courses and related courses with the exception of those required during student teaching. If this minimum of "C" is not met, the course(s) must be retaken before enrolling in the next level of professional education courses.
3. During the student teaching semester, students must register for student teaching and EDCI 419 Effective Classroom Management and Assessment Practices. In addition, one 3-hour elective may be taken.
4. Completion of 15 hours in residency at The University of Mississippi (includes Tupelo, Booneville, Grenada, and DeSoto campuses).
5. Correspondence courses in education are not accepted.
6. Evidence of professional liability insurance.

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